The programme envisages the preparation of District Elementary Education Plans by the States reflecting community based habitation and village level planning. These Plans are appraised by teams constituted for the purpose, including representatives of the State Government. Based on the recommendation of the Appraisal Team which are also discussed with the State officials, funds are released in terms of SSA norms. The Government has sanctioned District Elementary Education Plans of 512 districts for the year 2001-2002 at an outlay of Rs. 1106.26 crore under SSA. Hence, the programme has been launched only recently.

No irregularities have been brought to the notice of the Government regarding implementation of the scheme.

Pay scale of Electricians in Delhi University

4746. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of pay scales being granted to electricians by University Grants Commission in various universities in Delhi;

(b) the details of pay scales of electricians working in Jawaharlal Nehru University and whether the same scales are being granted to electricians of the University of Delhi;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is discrimination in the pay scales of electricians in both the Universities;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) what steps are being taken by Government to abolish the above discrimination between the pay scales in both the universities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI RITA VERMA]: (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.